

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Shinichi CHIKURA et al.
App. No : 10/593,760
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For : SPIRAL TYPE SEPARATION
MEMBRANE ELEMENT
Examiner : MENON, Krishnan S.
Art Unit : 1797
Conf No. : 9129

Response to Restriction Requirement

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 2, 2009, the Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

A complete listing of claims and their status begins at the **amendments to the claims**, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.